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Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/630,735	HWANG ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 04 January 2007.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) See Continuation Sheet is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-4, 6, 7, 9-12, 24-26, 28, 31-34, 44, 48, 52, 54, 55, 59, 63-65, 69-71, 86-88 and 108-110 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 6) Other: _____.

Continuation of Disposition of Claims: Claims pending in the application are 1-4,6,7,9-12,24-26,28,31-34,44,48,52,54,55,59,63-65,69-71,86-88 and 108-110.

In response to applicant's filing dated January 04, 2007. The following action is taken:

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless —

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

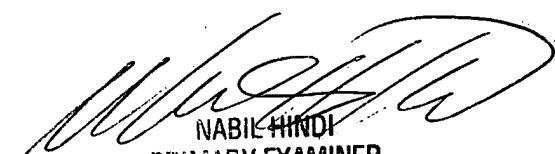
Claims 1-4, 6, 7, 9-12, 24-26, 28, 31-34, 44, 48, 52, 54, 55, 59, 63-65, 69-71, 86-88, and 108-110 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Fukushima et al (6552982).

The independent claims are merely drawn to data (disk drive) recorded on a disk. The disk data is changed (updated) based on certain operation. The reference shows an optical disk reading and recording apparatus having a disk with a lead-in and led out information recorded thereon. The disk information includes a disk and drive data that is being updated as shown in figs 2, 9 and 10 meeting the claimed invention. In addition see fig 2 having the ECC data blocks where the disk and drive information are recorded.

With respect to the limitations of the dependent claims. The reference shows the use of drive and disk information recorded in the lead-in and lead-out area of the disk. The reference also shows the use of sequentially updating the information (fig 6).

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-4, 6, 7, 9-12, 24-26, 28, 31-34, 44, 48, 52, 54, 55, 59, 63-65, 69-71, 86-88, and 108-110 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to NABIL Z. HINDI at telephone number (571) 272-7618.



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